

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 21, as follows:

-- Now, the assembling operation of the base portion 10 with the lifting means 20 will be described. As shown in Figs. 4A and 4B, a disc-shaped fixing block 14 is provided in the intersection between the base portion 10 and the lifting means 20. A gap is provided within the fixing block 14 for inserting a retaining clip 12 therethrough. Two screw holes are provided on the fixing block 14 adjacent to the base portion 10 that the fixing block 14 can be fixed on the base portion 10 by screws 16. A hole 13 is provided in the center of the fixing block 14 for receiving a round protrusion 21 of the end of the lifting means 20. Then, by inserting the retaining clip 12 in the gap of the fixing block 14, the retaining clip 12 will engage with a neck portion 22 of the end of the lifting means 20 to fix the lifting means 20 on the base portion 10. When the user intends to detach the base portion 10 from the lifting means 20, he/she only needs to draw out the retaining clip 12 by fingers. Therefore, the operation of detachment/attachment of this invention is very easy.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, lines 13, as follows:

--Although this invention is described by one preferred embodiment using a pair of pneumatic cylinders, this invention is not limited to this. For example, Fig. 8 shows another embodiment of this invention only employing a single pneumatic cylinder. This kind of highchair comprises a seat portion 40 having a body and a pair of attaching sections 41 fixedly provided on both sides of the body, a pair of leg frames 42 on both sides of the seat portion; and a pneumatic cylinder lifting means 20 with two ends thereof connected to the seat body 40 and the lower end of the leg frame 42. Each attaching section 41 is a sliding sleeve provided with a

sliding slot therein. The leg frame passes through the sliding slot. The lifting means 20 is also connected to the lower end of the leg frame 42 by the same retaining clip and the fixing block as those in the first embodiment. Therefore, the highchair using single pneumatic cylinder as lifting means is achieved. Certainly, the lifting means can be a hydraulic cylinder. Any modification can be easily made on the structure of this invention by those skilled in this art after reviewing the specification. Therefore, such simple modification is still within the scope of the appended claims of this invention.--

Please replace the Abstract on page 7 as follows:

--A highchair comprising a base portion, a pneumatic cylinder ~~lifting means~~ and a seat portion ~~is disclosed~~. The base portion is connected to the pneumatic cylinder ~~lifting means~~ by a retaining clip and a fixing block. The pneumatic cylinder ~~lifting means~~ is connected to the seat portion ~~by a pivoting means~~ and can pivotally rotate to a folded and parallel position with respect to the seat portion thereby to fold the highchair to a minimum volume.--